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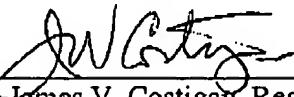
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## LETTER

Sir:

This Letter is being filed in response to the Interview Summary that was mailed January 23, 2007.

A telephone interview was held on January 18, 2007 between the undersigned and Examiner Sandra K. Poulos regarding the above identified application. The prior art of record was discussed and the argument was made that there was no teaching or suggestion in the prior art to combine the cited references. No agreement was reached regarding the allowability of any claim and the Examiner was thanked for her courtesy in extending telephone interview.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
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